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Sir:

Applicant's attorney requests that the date for responding to the Office Action dated October 18, 2002 be extended three (3) months to and including April 18, 2003.

The statutory fee of \$930.00 for this request is enclosed herewith. The Patent and Trademark office is authorized to charge any deficiency or apply any overpayment credit to Deposit Account No. 23-3030.

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